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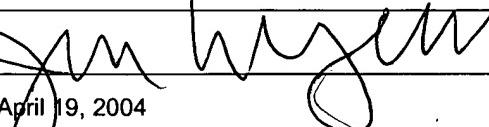
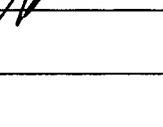


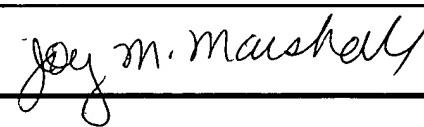
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In re application of:

Gregor SAGNER et al.

Application No.: Not Assigned

Filed: March 25, 2004

For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING
THE EFFICIENCY OF NUCLEIC ACID
AMPLIFICATIONS

Customer No.: 20350

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